

## THE BELLE OF LONDON.

### An American Girl and a Newspaper Scribe.

It is known in the literary circle of America who the brilliant writer from London to the Chicago Inter-Ocean, who signs herself "Galatea," is; but it is believed to be the *nom de plume* of Miss Letitia Ann Shepard, considered the most beautiful woman in London. She is the daughter of Dr. Joseph Shepard, a physician of high standing in London, and formerly of St. Louis, Mo.

For some time past her letters have attracted the attention of many Americans who have visited and lived in London, not only by their vivid description of things as they occur, but by their truthful pictures of facts and their conscientious detail of matters in art. During the past three years this lady has been the favorite of some of the most recherche ruinous in the English capital, and her presence is always looked for at Lady Hardy's brilliant and high-toned reception Saturday evenings.

It was at one of these receptions that the famous portrait painter, Havel, met her, and struck by the wonderful beauty of her features and face, begged she would allow him to paint her portrait for her Royal Academy. Miss Shepard is rather tall, graceful and easy in dignity of majestic genius which shows itself in her every look and moment. Her eyes and nose are exceedingly like the Empress Eugenie's and her hair is a deep auburn and very thick and long.

This last is the cause of envy to many of the London belles. Miss Shepard has been received in high circles in London as no other American writer, and in consequence of her keenly manner and her superb taste in all that pertains to art and dress, she has won for herself a name and a place which but few even among the English writers could ever hope to gain in London society.

### Post and Pillory.

(Wilmington (Del.) Cor. Philadelphia Times.)

The semi-annual exhibition of the post and pillory, and the uses to which they are put, was opened yesterday in the jail-yard, at Newcastle, in the presence of several hundred men, women and children. John Reardon, Blubber Davis and John Thomas, white, and Sandy Leonard, colored, were the only candidates for the stocks. Each was impilloried for an hour, and suffered indescribable tortures attending his punishment. At 1:15 the whipping commenced, with Chas. Frisby, colored, as the first victim. The cat-o-nine-tails descended on his back twenty times, making him jerk and wiggle, and, doubtless, wish he had never stolen the \$42 for which this was a part of the penalty. John Diggs, colored, convicted of larceny of razors, was next whipped mercilessly with twenty lashes. Dilmer Davis, a mulatto, was then severely lashed for larceny, and, although severely suffering from the punishment, he forced a smile when released from the post, and asked, "How's that for high?" George Thompson, a white man whose head was gray with age, tottered to the post, and was whipped lightly. His offense was the larceny of chickens, and his punishment was twenty lashes. Robert Allen, colored, was next whipped. Reddy August, a white boy of not more than eighteen, but who had been whipped before, was then fastened to the post. "Get hold of that," he said, as he threw his coat at Sheriff Lambson, and bared his back. "Now, let's have 'em." He got ten and went back to his cell, suffering from his punishment. Charles Henderson, white, a consumptive and a thief was whipped with twenty lashes and evidently felt as keenly his disgrace as he did the corporal punishment. Sandy Leonard, colored, for the second time in his short life, received twenty lashes. They were well laid on, and his back was almost blood-red when he returned to his cell. Blubber Davis, a white youth, was also whipped for the second time. He suffered intensely, and will be afflicted with a sore back for several weeks. John Thomas, a young white man, hailing from Millville, N. J., and who was convicted of highway robbery, was the next person to hug the post. He received forty lashes, and when released his back was as red as a beet, and here and there blood was oozing from large welts made by the lash. "I would rather serve a lifetime in the penitentiary at Trenton than undergo that punishment again," he said as he pulled on his coat and started for the prison. John Reardon, white, was the last man whipped. He had stolen an overcoat, and thought his punishment (twenty well-laid on lashes, etc.) was out of proportion to his offense.

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28122 From New Cambria, by Wien, Bynumville, and back, once a week. Leave New Cambria Wednesday at 1:30 p. m.; arrive at Bynumville by 5:30 a. m.; leave Bynumville Saturday at 7:30 a. m.; arrive at Salisbury by 12 m.; leave Salisbury Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Bynumville by 5:30 p. m.; leave Bynumville Wednesday at 8 a. m.; arrive at New Cambria by 12 m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28147 From Phelps City, by Rockport, Homer, and Eudora, to Quitman, 47 miles and back, six times a week to Rockport, and twice a week the residue. Leave Phelps City daily, except Sunday, at 8 p. m.; arrive at Rockport by 5 p. m.; leave Rockport Monday and Thursday at 6 a. m.; arrive at Quitman by 9 p. m.; leave Quitman Tuesday and Friday at 6 a. m.; arrive at Rockport by 9 p. m.; leave Rockport daily, except Sunday, at 7 a. m.; arrive at Phelps City by 10 a. m. Bond required with bid, \$1,000.

28174 From Calwood to Fulton, 8 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Calwood Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 a. m.; arrive at Fulton by 12 m.; leave Fulton Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 2 p. m.; arrive at Calwood by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28178 From Harrisburg, by Woodlandville, Rockport and Midway, to Columbia, 28 miles and back, three times a week to Rockport, and six times a week the residue, with side supply from Rockport, by Overton, to Booneville, 10 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Harrisburg Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Rockport by 12 m.; leave Rockport daily except Sunday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Columbia by 5 p. m.; leave Columbia daily except Sunday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Rockport by 12 m.; leave Rockport Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Booneville by 4 p. m.; leave Booneville Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a. m.; arrive at Rockport by 12 m.; leave Rockport Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Harrisburg by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$900.

28231 From Richmond, by Millville, Knoxville, Palo and Kingston, to Hamilton, 40 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Richmond Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Hamilton by 6 p. m.; leave Hamilton Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Richmond by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$1,000.

28233 From Short Bend, by Cook's Station, Clinton's Mills and Marmore, to St. James, 21 miles and back, once a week. Leave Short Bend Friday at 7 a. m.; arrive at St. James by 4 p. m.; leave St. James Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Short Bend by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$300.

28301 From Doniphan, by Little Black, to Poplar Bluff, 34 1/2 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Doniphan Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Poplar Bluff by 6 p. m.; leave Poplar Bluff Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Doniphan by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28313 From Gatewood, by Doniphan, to Pittman, 26 1/2 miles and back, twice a week. Leave Gatewood Tuesday and Friday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Pittman by 4 p. m.; leave Pittman Wednesday and Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Gatewood by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$400.

28378 From Palmyra, by Worth River, to Warren, 15 miles and back, twice a week. Leave Palmyra Monday and Wednesday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Warren by 11 a. m.; leave Warren Monday and Wednesday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Palmyra by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28434 From Trenton, by Grinnell, to Murlton, 17 miles and back, once a week. Leave Trenton Saturday at 6 a. m.; arrive at Murlton by 11 a. m.; leave Murlton Saturday at 12 m.; arrive at Trenton by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28464 From Marthaville, by Dutton, to Washington, 7 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Marthaville Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Washington by 11 a. m.; leave Washington Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 m.; arrive at Marthaville by 3 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$300.

28466 From Quitman to Maryville, 12 miles and back, six times a week. Leave Quitman daily, except Sunday, at 8 a. m.; arrive at Maryville by 12 m.; leave Maryville daily except Sunday at 2 p. m.; arrive at Quitman by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$600.

28467 From Sidney to Rensselaer, 3 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Sidney Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Rensselaer by 2 p. m.; leave Rensselaer Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3 p. m.; arrive at Sidney by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28468 From West Ely to Rensselaer, three miles and back, three times a week. Leave West Ely Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Rensselaer by 2 p. m.; leave Rensselaer Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 3 p. m.; arrive at West Ely by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28469 From Williamsburg, by Peytona (n.o.), to Montgomery City, 12 miles and back, three times a week. Leave Williamsburg Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Montgomery City by 11 a. m.; leave Montgomery City Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 2 p. m.; arrive at Williamsburg by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$300.

28470 From Morrisville to Brighton, 5 miles and back, once a week. Leave Morrisville Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Brighton by 2:45 p. m.; leave Brighton Saturday at 3 p. m.; arrive at Morrisville by 4:45 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28471 From Stockland to Montgomery City, 12 miles and back, once a week. Leave Stockland Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Montgomery City by 12 m.; leave Montgomery City Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Stockland by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$150.

28472 From Price's Branch to High Hill, 6 miles and back, once a week. Leave Price's Branch Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at High Hill by 3 p. m.; leave High Hill Saturday at 4 p. m.; arrive at Price's Branch by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28473 From Shamrock to Auxvasse, 13 miles and back, once a week. Leave Shamrock Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Auxvasse by 12 m.; leave Auxvasse Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Shamrock by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$150.

28474 From Miami, by Lynessville, to Malta Bend, 13 miles and back, once a week. Leave Miami Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Malta Bend by 12 m.; leave Malta Bend Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Miami by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$150.

28480 From Maryville, by Amity, McCartney's Cross-Roads, Boxford and San Antonio, to Saxton, 25 miles and back, once a week. Leave Maryville Friday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Saxton by 5 p. m.; leave Saxton Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Maryville by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$250.

28481 From De Lasseus, by Stone, to Iron Mountain, 13 miles and back, twice a week. Leave De Lasseus Wednesday and Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Iron Mountain by 12 m.; leave Iron Mountain Wednesday and Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at De Lasseus by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$250.

28482 From Perryville, by Claryville, to Chester (Ill.), 15 miles and back, once a week. Leave Perryville Saturday at 7 a. m.; arrive at Chester by 12 m.; leave Chester Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Perryville by 6 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$250.

28475 From Oregon, by New Point, to Whig Valley, 20 miles and back, once a week. Leave Oregon Friday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Whig Valley by 4 p. m.; leave Whig Valley Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Oregon by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$200.

28476 From Goodson to Bolivar, 10 miles and back, once a week. Leave Goodson Saturday at 9 a. m.; arrive at Bolivar by 12 m.; leave Bolivar Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Goodson by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28477 From Knoxville to Georgeville, 4 miles, and return by Taitaville to Knoxville, 7 miles, once a week. Leave Knoxville Saturday at 12 m.; arrive at Knoxville by 7 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28478 From Patterson to Piedmont, 9 miles and back, once a week. Leave Patterson Saturday at 9 a. m.; arrive at Piedmont by 12 m.; leave Piedmont Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Patterson by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28479 From Gordonsville to Cape Girardeau, 19 miles and back, once a week. Leave Gordonsville Saturday at 9 a. m.; arrive at Cape Girardeau by 12 m.; leave Cape Girardeau Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Gordonsville by 4 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28483 From Burr Oak Valley, by New Salem, to Chantilly, 10 miles and back, once a week. Leave Burr Oak Valley Saturday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Chantilly by 12 m.; leave Chantilly Saturday at 1 p. m.; arrive at Burr Oak Valley by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$100.

28484 From Maryville, by Star Mills, Burr Oak and Elk Dale, to Corning, 45 miles and back, once a week. Leave Maryville Wednesday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Corning next day by 5 p. m.; leave Corning Friday at 8 a. m.; arrive at Maryville next day by 5 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$500.

28485 From Salt Springs to Marshall, 8 miles and back, twice a week. Leave Salt Springs Wednesday and Saturday at 12 m.; arrive at Marshall by 2:30 p. m.; leave Marshall Wednesday and Saturday at 3 p. m.; arrive at Salt Springs by 5:30 p. m. Bond required with bid, \$150.

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